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Commander's Column

As we start a new year, I want to thank the membership for their confidence in me to be your new commander. Following Todd Hanson is going to be a big job. The saving grace is that I have nine past commanders that are still present at the post to draw from their experience and knowledge for guidance whenever I need advice.

Our membership is strong as well as the Ladies Auxiliary whom I will be working closely with through out the year. Our chapter of the Legion Riders as well as our SAL squadron is still growing thanks to the officers and members in each.

Dave Wisbrock, our rental agent, is keeping our sitters and bartenders quite busy this year. He's doing a great job at keeping the hall full and renting out the pavilion and gazebo.

Our scouts are also doing a doing a great job on the maintenance of the grounds with thanks going to the scout leaders, and all the other adults teaching them how to operate the equipment safely needed to keep the grounds in such nice shape.

Our post is more of a family than an organization: case in point, on the 4th of July we were getting ready for the parade when one of our members fell ill. Gene Kulaga had a problem with the heat and the paramedics had to be called. Everyone rallied around Gene, but only one could go with him to the hospital. Carmen Gnolfo insisted on going with Gene and stayed with him from start to finish.

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Commander's Column....cont. from pg 1....

Five hours later, he had Gene back home. We watch out and take care of each other, that's what families do. Speaking of family, Rich Eldorado, aka Eldo has been doing a great job at selling advertisements in our newsletter. It's hard to list all the members that keep the post running and in good repair and to give them the praise they deserve, they know who they are, and all I have to say is thank you all for all you do.

John Cruz, Commander



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Auxiliary News – Sept. 2014

Our 2014-2015 Auxiliary year Theme is **“Read All About It! Illinois American Legion Auxiliary Still Helping Our Veterans”**, with our unit as the reporters I am so excited to see what news our unit can create.

On August 23, 2014, Unit 80 installed the following officers for our 2014-2015 Auxiliary year:

President	Kim Cruz
1 st vice President	Jean Krupin
2 nd vice president	Arlene Guest
Historian	Bev Parrott
Chaplain	Pat Mustradi
Treasurer	Joey Klingbiel
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Sgt-At-Arms	Julie Isenberger
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Congratulations to all our officers and Chairmans for an outstanding year of working together. I look forward to working with you all again this year.

Our new department President	Ann Flanagan
District President	Angie Mulligan
Division President	Susan Schaefer

Let's do all that we can to support them.

A big thank You goes out to our Installation Team!

Installation officer	Therese Schey	Past President
Chaplain	Karen Greenwald	District Chaplain
Sgt-At-Arms	Norma Border	Past Unit Sr Vice President



Auxiliary News....cont. from pg 3....

I look forward to serving Unit 80 another year and doing all that I can to continue to support our Veterans. Upcoming Auxiliary meetings and Events:

Post 80 Labor Day Picnic September 1 noon bring a side to share

Unit Meeting September 9 7pm

Auxiliary 11th District Meeting:

Fall Caravan October 12th Trio Grille/Marengo Ill
10am

Respectfully Submitted
Kim Cruz, Unit President



Happy Labor Day!

a day to
Celebrate the
Achievements
of our **American**
Workforce

*See you
at the
Picnic!*



**Get
Well
Soon!**

SICK CALL

*The following Veterans are on sick call.
Let's keep them in our prayers.*

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Veterans Affairs & Rehabilitation Unit #80

On Wednesday, August 6th, Unit #80 members: Treasurer Joey Klingbiel, Past President and VA&R Chairperson Therese Schey, Past 11th District President Sue Bustin prepared a homemade spaghetti dinner for 40 all male veterans and staff members at Cooke's Manor Hines, Building #14 on Hines VA Campus.

Cooke's Manor is a transitional living program offering supportive services to men 21 years and older who have become homeless due to alcohol and drug addiction. This facility is managed under the Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Chicago.

They have a wish list of new items on a ongoing basis: bath towels and wash cloths, bed linens, twin sheets, pillows, pillow cases, laundry detergent, face soap, deodorant, toothpaste, toothbrushes, alcohol free mouthwash, socks, underwear and t-shirts in all sizes. **PLEASE!!! only *new* items** will be accepted. Your donations are tax deductible as allowed by law. If you have any further questions please contact me at 708-354-8649.

-Therese Schey, Chairperson

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Native Prairie Expansion & Enhancements

The existing native wildflower and grasses prairie at the American Legion's Memorial Park is approximately 11,800 square feet (almost .3 acre) and features a mowed pathway to a bench within the prairie. These grounds were established by Eagle Scout Candidates (both of whom have subsequently earned the rank of Eagle Scout) from Boy Scout Troop 80, sponsored by our Post, and have received numerous compliments throughout the growing season due to the continuous blooming of the native wildflowers.

Another Eagle Scout Candidate from Troop 80 proposes to increase the size of the existing prairie by approximately 6,300 square feet (a little over .1 acre) to provide additional native wildflowers and grasses to become established. Ed Ludwig and Dick Rooney will provide seeds for this expansion at no cost to the Post. Pheasants Forever developed the Pollinator Seed Mix consisting of 40 varieties of native wildflowers and grasses in addition to Golden Alexanders, Purple Prairie Clover, Wild Bergamot and New England Aster.

Additionally, as part of the Eagle Scout Candidate's requirement to positively demonstrate the leadership skills for which he's previously received training, he has proposed to not only establish a more permanent path to the existing bench, but also design and construct a trellis over the bench. Native vines are proposed to cover the trellis.

The project is proposed to be completed this fall for plants to become established in the Spring. Anyone who has not walked within the existing prairie is encouraged to do so, not only to enjoy its' existing beauty, but to imagine the enhancements to follow.





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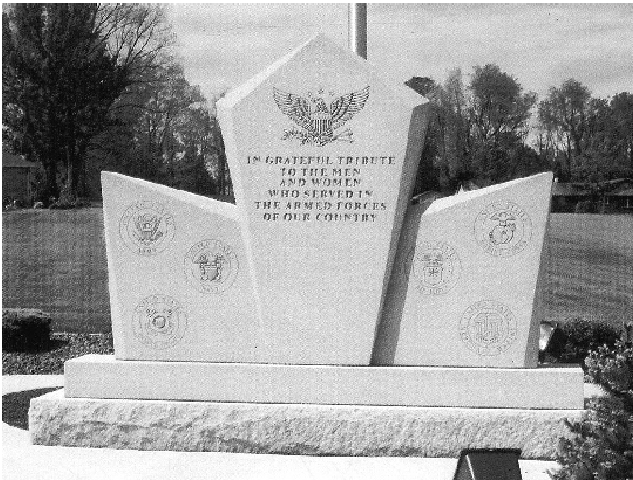
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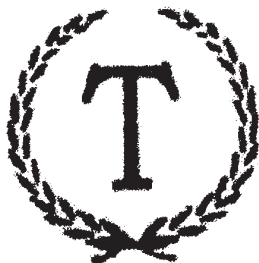
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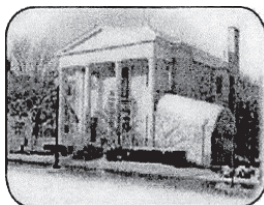
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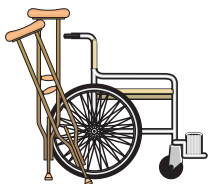
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American Legion Riders — Chapter 80 — Sept 2014 Update

Chapter 80 Officers for 2014-2015

At the July Legion Rider Meeting, the following were elected as officers for the 2014-2015 Legion Rider year:

Director	- John Pavich
Asst Director	- Steve Collins
Secretary	- Marge Pavich
Treasurer	- John Pavich
Road Captain	- Mike Maschek
Historian	- Tim Sorenson
Chaplain	- Jack Border

Vietnam Wall Escort — Berwyn IL

Legion Riders participated in escorting the Vietnam War Memorial Traveling Wall into Berwyn IL on August 7th. Ride included escorts by local Police departments enroute as well as participation by various Fire Dept. units in that area.

COME JOIN US FOR THE FUN, SERVICE TO VETERANS AND THE RIDES!!

Legion Riders — Chapter 80 usually meets monthly on the second Saturday of each month at 10 am in the Post 80 Library. Legion Rider membership requires membership or affiliation with the American Legion and ownership of a 350cc or larger motorcycle. Annual dues are \$20.00. Please check with Director, John Pavich, (630 541 5710) to confirm meeting locations for any given month.

Upcoming Rides and Events

Sept 24	Legion Rider Meeting — Post 80 at 6:30 pm
Oct 11	Legion Rider Meeting — Post 80 at 10 am
Oct 18	Candlelight Bowl Charity event

Check the Post 80 Newsletter and website at post80.org/legion-riders for updates to the Legion Rider meeting and event schedule.

John Pavich
Director ALR



Honor Guard presenting the KIA Memorial



Presenting the flags honoring all branches of the military

Sgt. of the Guard inspecting components of the KIA Memorial



Uncovering the model of the WWII Memorial, Pillars of Honor that is in Washington, D.C.



THOUGHTSOF**THE**MONTH:**

The English language--- An interesting play on words:

- >>To write with a broken pencil is pointless.
- >>The batteries were given out free of charge.
- >>When you've seen one shopping center, you've seen a mall.
- >>When fish are in schools, they sometimes take debate.
- >>A boiled egg is hard to beat.
- >>A bicycle can't stand alone; it is two tired.
- >>You can tune a piano, but you can't tuna fish.
- >>A dentist & a manicurist married. They fought tooth and nail.
- >>A thief who stole a calendar got twelve months.
- >>When the smog lifts in Los Angeles, U.C.L.A.
- >>He had a photographic memory which was never developed.
- >>With her marriage, she got a new name and a dress.
- >>A will is a dead giveaway.

.....James K. Leonas

The mention of the mall above reminds me I
enjoy sitting on a mall bench watching people.
It's better than going to a zoo!.....RWB



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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
	1 POST 80 LABOR DAY PICNIC 12 NOON	2 Bingo 6:30 pm Doors Open 4:30 pm	3 Business Meeting 7:30 pm	4	5	6 Coffee Donuts & Conversation 8:30 am
	8 Auxiliary Meeting 7:00 pm	9 Bingo 6:30 pm Doors Open 4:30 pm	10 County Meeting Bartlett Post 1212	11	12	13 Coffee Donuts & Conversation 8:30 am
14	15	16 Bingo 6:30 pm Doors Open 4:30 pm	17	18	19	20 Coffee Donuts & Conversation 8:30 am
21	22	23 Bingo 6:30 pm Doors Open 4:30 pm	24 Legion Riders 6:30 pm Board of Directors Meeting 7:30 pm	25	26	27 Coffee Donuts & Conversation 8:30 am
28	29	30 Bingo 6:30 pm Doors Open 4:30 pm	September 2014			
Flower: Aster Birthstone: Sapphire National Honey Month Leukemia & Lymphoma Awareness Month			ELIGIBILITY DATES WORLD WAR I APRIL 6, 1917 - NOVEMBER 11, 1918 • VIETNAM FEBRUARY 28, 1961 - MAY 7, 1975 WORLD WAR II DECEMBER 7, 1941 - DECEMBER 31, 1946 • KOREAN WAR JUNE 25, 1950 - JANUARY 31, 1955 • GRANADA & LEBANON AUGUST 24, 1982 - JULY 31, 1984 • OPER. JUST CAUSE IN PANAMA DECEMBER 20, 1989 - JAN. 31, 1990 • PERSIAN GULF AUGUST 2, 1990 - cessation of hostilities			